

Since my appointment to the [House Appropriations Committee](#) in 2003, I have worked diligently to obtain federal support for worthy projects in Georgia's Second Congressional District. My position on the

[Agriculture](#)

,
[Defense](#)

, and

[Military Construction and Veterans Affairs](#)

subcommittees allow me an even better position from which to be involved with the issues that directly impact the Second Congressional District.

About the Appropriations Committee

The House Committee on Appropriations consists of 12 subcommittees, each of which is responsible for appropriations measures that provide funding for numerous activities such as national defense, education, and homeland security, as well as general government operations. Congress has developed certain rules and practices for the consideration of appropriations measures, referred to as the *congressional appropriations process*.

There are three types of appropriations measures. *Regular appropriations bills* provide most of the funding that is provided in all appropriations measures for a fiscal year, and must be enacted by October 1 of each year. If regular bills are not enacted by the deadline, Congress adopts *continuing resolutions*

to continue funding generally until regular bills are enacted.

Supplemental appropriations bills

provide additional appropriations and are typically considered during a fiscal year. To learn more about the committee's work, the Congressional Research Service has put together a helpful

[Guide to the Congressional Appropriations Process](#)

Funding Priorities in our Community:

I believe that I am beholden to the taxpayers in my district to try to bring home just a fraction of the billions in tax dollars sent to Washington each year. These "earmarks" are crucial to funding important local projects such as infrastructure improvements, after-school programs, or agriculture research. You can see the current [status](#) of this year's appropriations bills or view the [projects for which I have](#)

[requested appropriations](#)

in this

year's appropriations bills.

For too long, the earmark process has lacked transparency and accountability, leading some members of Congress to abuse it and the public trust. Since assuming the majority in 2007, Congressional Democrats have instituted wide-ranging reforms including ensuring that every American can easily determine which member of Congress has submitted a request that

receives funding. Below you will find lists of my recent funding requests with an explanation regarding the purpose of the request and why it is a valuable use of taxpayer funds.

FY2011 Appropriations Requests - *Coming Soon*

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FY2011 Appropriations Requests:

Individuals or organizations wishing to make requests for funding through the Congressionally Directed Appropriations process can do so by completing a [**Request Form**](#) and submitting it to Congressman Bishop for consideration. All requests must be received by February 19, 2010, for full consideration. Requests submitted after this date may not be considered.

Please note that additional documentation or information may be required based on the nature of the project or request. Once completed, all forms and information should be returned by email to Michael Reed at michael.reed@mail.house.gov, or you may call him at (202) 225-3631 for further information. In compliance with the Rules of the House of Representatives with respect to transparency, all funding requests submitted by Congressman Bishop to the House Appropriations Committee for consideration will be posted on this website.

Organizations or entities that are approved for funding will be notified once the FY2011 appropriations bills have been approved by the Congress and signed into law by the President, which should occur late in year (Nov/Dec, 2010).

Download the [**FY2011 Congressionally Directed Funding Request Form**](#)

For defense requests, please visit the [**FY2011 Defense Request**](#) page.

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